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FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: ESTC, BEXP, GB, STP

SUBJECT: SIR AFFAIRES GABON REQUEST TO RE-EXPORT US

MANUFACTURED AIRCRAFT TO SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE

1. P. PIEUCHOT, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF AIR AFFAIRS GABON, CALLED ON AMBASSADOR TO REQUEST EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING NECESSARY PERMISSIN ON BEHALF AIR AFFAIRES TO SELL ON US MANUFACTURED FAIRCHILD AIRCRAFT TO GOVERNMENT OF SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE (GSTP) FOR CIVIL AVIATION USE.

2. GSTP HAS TOLD AIR AFFAIRES THAT AIRCRAFT WILL BE USED FOR FLIGHTS BETWEEN SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE AND WILL ALSO SERVE LIBREVILLE AND DOUALA, CAMEROON, FOR BOTH PASSENGER AND LIMITED CARGO SERVICE. AIR AFFAIRES GABON WILL ALSO PROVIDE PACKAGE INCLUDING SPARE PARTS AND MAINTENANCE. AT PRESENT TIME ONLY AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT IN SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE IS ONE DC-3 FOR WHICH THERE ARE NO SPARE PARTS AVAILABLE AND WHICH IS IN DIRE NEED OF REPAIR. FURTHER, THERE ARE SEVERE DIFFICULTIES IN OBTAINING SERVICES OF QUALIFIED PILOT AND GROUND SUPPORT PERSONNEL.

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3. UNFORTUNATELY AIR AFFAIRES DID NOT PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH ORIGINAL EXPORT LICENSE NUMBER. AIRCRAFT IS A FAIRCHILD 227; MANUFACTURE IN 1960; PURCHASED IN MID-1975; CURRENT REGISTRATION TR-LVE; SERIES NUMBER SEVENTY; MOTOR NUMBERS 13522 AND 13525. ACCORDING TO LETTER FROM AIR AFFAIRES, FOLLOWING US ORIGIN AVIONICS EQUIPMENT INSTALLED ABOARD: VHF/COM, VOR/NAV/GLS, MARKER, ADF, HF,

AND DME OF COLLINS MANUFACTURE: UDC FLIGHT DATA RECORDER;
UDC AND COLLINS VOICE RECORDER: BENDIX INTERPHONE SYSTEM:
COLLINS PASSENGER ADDRESS SYSTEM: BENDIX RADAR: SPERRY
GYROSYN COMPASS: BENDIX COURSE INDICATOR: SPERRY AND
BENDIX HORIZON INDICATORS.

4. EMBASSY HOPES THIS MESSAGE WILL SUFFICE AS FORMAL
REQUEST FOR AIR AFFAIRES GABON PERMISSION TO RE-EXPORT
AIRCRAFT TO GSTP. WE ARE FULLY SATISFIED OF BONA FIDES OF
PROPOSED SALE AND DO NOT BELIEVE THERE IS ANY LIKELIHOOD OF
DIVERSION OF AIRCRAFT. EMBASSY FULLY SUPPORTS AIR AFFAIRES
REQUEST.

5. APPRECIATE PROMPT REPLY FROM USDOC. PLEASE ADVISE IF
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED. STEIGMAN

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